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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of  
JENKINSON et al.

Serial No. 10/602,532

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Atty. Ref.: 4398-239

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROL OF  
APPLIANCE COUPLER RETENTION AND  
WITHDRAWAL FORCES

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November 12, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP UNDER RULE 48(a)**

Petition is hereby made to correct the inventors named in the above-identified application since all of the actual inventors were not named through error without deceptive intent. The subject application inadvertently omitted inventor Dan Kao upon filing the above-identified application. Residence and citizenship information is as follows:

Dan Kao  
Chatswood, Australia – Citizenship: Australia

Following entry of this inventor, the full inventorship in the above-identified application will be as follows:

Philip James Jenkinson  
Nicholas Jerome Reed  
Philip Andrew Jones  
Dan Kao

In support of this Petition, the fee of \$130 required by Rule 17(i) is attached.

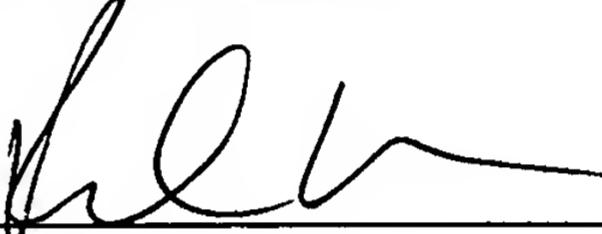
**CONCLUSION**

In sum, the omitted inventor was not named through error without any deceptive intention on the part of the omitted inventor. Therefore, the granting of this Petition and the amendment of the above-identified application to reflect Messrs. Jenkinson, Reed, Jones and Kao as joint inventors is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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